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FATHER LEO S. SIMPSON, S.J.

An era in the history of the California Province came to a close on Monady. June 14, 1948, when the Rev. Leo S. Simpson handed over the keys of the office of Socius to the Provincial to his successor. Fr. Simpson had held the post of Socius for just three months short of seventeen long years.

Because of the self-sacrificing devotion and tireless energy which marked Fr. Simpson during all this time, the Province would like to take this opportunty to extend to him sincere and heartfelt thanks. His self-effacing devotion to duty has been an inspiration to all.

Especially grateful is the Province to him for his promptness in answering inquiries, in acknowledging letters, and in publishing the Province News. Those who spent any time outside the Province are most appreciative of his thoughtfulness of them in publishing his famed "Exiles' Letter."

Next year, August 7, 1949, will complete fifty golden years for Fr. Simpson in the Society. We begin now the round of good wishes he so rightly deserves with a grateful Province's Ad Multos Annos.

RECENT CHANGES

Father Joseph King replaced Father Joseph Howard at St. Ignatius High School; Father Howard, new Province Director of Sodalities; Father Charles Leahy, teaching at Bellarmine; Father Arthur Spearman, to El Retiro; Father Cyril Kavanagh, to El Retiro; Father Arthur Falvey, to U.S.F.; Father Richard Scannell, Director of Diocesan Sodalities in Los Angeles, also, Director of Apostleship of Prayer for Los Angeles; Father Zacheus Maher, to Azusa; Father David Daze, Assistant Pastor at Blessed Sacrament; Father Harold Ring, Pastor and Superior at St. Joseph's in San Jose; Father McQuillan, Procurator at Alma; Father Zeman, Procurator at U.S.F.; Father Preston, Procurator at Los Gatos.

ALMA COLLEGE

June 13th, First Mass Day, Alma was host to 566 guests.

The Alma bus was used for the first time June 18th on a trip to Big Basin and Big Trees Since then the bus has been most convenient for many enjoyable outings.

June 19th, Mr. Brady and Mr. Schallert were in an accident while driving toward Santa Cruz over the viaduct just past the Sisters' Hospital. An approaching car caused them to pull to the right as far as possible. Results—the wheels slipped on the soft dirt bank plunging the truck over a fifteen-foot embankment and landing in the main street against a lamp post. Mr. Brady, the driver, stayed in the seat and received minor injuries and shock. Mr. Schallert was thrown out of the car, landing on his back and fracturing several bones. The approaching car, the cause of the accident, did not stop.

June 22. Brother Muscat arrived for a temporary stay.

During July meals were had in the employees' dining room while the refectory floor was covered with asphalt tile.

During the summer, thirty Fathers made their retreats at Alma.

July 31st was the Diamond Jubilee of Father Malone. Father Provincial celebrated the Solemn High Mass in the morning. At noon Father Malone himself gave the Solemn Benediction. Some seventy guests joined the Alma Community for the Jubilee dinner in the evening.

August 9th Father Broderick gave an informal talk to the Community.

Father Corcoran pronounced his Last Vows on August 15th.

August 16th twenty-three Theologians attended the Sodality Convention at Santa Clara.

Six Theologians (Messrs: Newport, Keenan, Leonard, Smyth, Morse, and Hopkins) finished out the last week of the St. Ignatius High School summer school while the neo-regent teachers made their retreats at Santa Clara.

The annual Theologian-Junior baseball game at the Juniors' field on August 17th saw the Juniors defeated 9 to 3.

The community enjoyed a barbecue at Villa Joseph on August 18th.

Alma shared in the donations of chairs, divans, heaters, etc., awarded to Los Gatos by the War Assets.

BELLARMINE

The first unit of the new school building will be ready for the 165 Seniors late in September. The second unit for the Juniors will be ready at the end of December.

Bill Prentice, the star football and baseball player of Santa Clara, has been signed as head football coach.

Father Corvi taught in the summer school at Loyola University. Messrs. Crain and Dodd taught in the Juniorate at Los Gatos. Father Flynn supervised the teaching of the new regents at the summer school of St. Ignatius High School. Father Carr toured the Pacific as a Navy chaplain.

Father Odou received praise in "Time" Magazine for his contribution to the classic book on convert making.

Fathers Colosimo and Odou took an active part in the Sodality conference of the Province at Santa Clara.

Father Sugrue welcomed the parents of the ten postulants who entered the Novitiate on Aug. 14th. He escorted them to Los Gatos and explained the procedure of the Jesuit Order to each one of the postulants and their parents.

The dining room and chapel have been enlarged and beautified. New pews were also installed.

A new house for the overflow crowd of resident students has been purchased.

Mr. Brier is installing in the co-operative store additional equipment for the fountain and book and candy departments in order to accommodate the increasing numbers of students.

Brother Huber is building separate heating units for the gym and dining rooms. Brother McCormick has a lot to do with the improvements of his domain, the faculty refectory.

Three of Bing Crosby's sons are resident students.

Father Rooney manufactured and placed cement markers around the track for the starting and finishing of the various track and field events.

In the summer inter-city baseball league Bellarmine's team went to the finals. It lost in the playoffs because it had to play its final game without the services of five of the regulars.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

The student-body for the coming year is well over 900.

Fr. Sausotte is taking over the position of principal.

During the summer Fr. Gaffney attended the Catholic University; Fr. Crowley supplied at Lone Pine; Fr. Bacigalupi, at Santa Rosa; Frs. Conway and Donachowski at Catalina Boy Scout Camp; Frs. Maginnis and Kelly were in Mono County.

Aug. 15. Frs. Kavanagh and Sausotte took their Final Vows at Blessed Sacrament Church. Fr. Rector received them and preached the sermon.

During the summer extensive alterations have been made in the school building, the resident students' living quarters, and the school auditorium. At long last the spire from the old Lutheran church has been taken down.

Fr. Crowley, Messrs. R. Brannon and Azadian took 13 of the outstanding Sodalists of last year to the Chicago Summer School of Catholic Action.

June 12. 38th Annual Commencement held in the school stadium. Bishop McGuckin presided and Mr. Frank Moroney addressed the graduates and friends.

Aug. 30-Sept. 3. Registration Week. Classes resumed on Sept. 7.

SACRED HEART NOVITIATE

June 16. First Vows of Coadjutor Brother John J. Olenik.

June 27. Messrs. George Cullen and Mario Lessa, pre-Philosophers, arrived from Argentina.

July 16. First Vows of William J. Roache and F. Warren Schoeppe.

Aug. 5. First Vows of Coadjutor Brother Thomas E. McTigue.

Aug. 1. The Regents played the Juniors baseball, and won 9-7.

Aug. 8. Fr. James Broderick gave a lecture to the community on his impressions of America, and California in particular.

Aug. 15. Fr. Silva and Bro. Benecke pronounced their Final Vows, which were received by Fr. Rector. First Vows were pronounced by John I. Geiszel, J. Leo McCaffrey, Frederick J. Green, John W. Clark, Joseph W. Morris, Gregory D. Aherne, Robert R. Taheny, Richard H. Brown, William J. Perkins, Robert J. Brophy, Walter M. Gordon, Martin T. Woods, Gerald L. Cooney, Michael J. Elliott, Charles T. Phipps, Clarke L. Trent, Michael A. Torrano.

The Gaudiosa was at 4:30. In the evening the Juniors present a play di-

rected by Fr. Rector.

New Beadle: Bro. Horton.

Sub-Beadle: Bro. Brennan.

The names of the postulants who entered on the 14th:

From Loyola U.: Maurice J. Brill, Daniel J. Costaregni, Richard J. Magallon, Sammy N. Mitchell, Rex E. Reynolds, Richard W. Rolfs, Edward J. Schlossman, Norman E. Tierney.

From Santa Clara: Philip C. Blake, Jr., Patrick A. Bolger, Thomas V. Conn, Robert E. Griffin, Frederick J. Heney, Robert L. Maloney, James V. Schall, Donald J. Wolf.

From U.S.F.: Charles W. McCrystle, Glen E. Smith.

From Bellarmine: Daniel A. Gordeau, Leo J. Hombach, David P. McWhirter, James J. Maher, Edward J. Malatesta, James F. Perry, Robert W. Russell, Michael R. Saso, Charles A. Van Dorn, Carlton E. Whitten.

From Loyola High: Robert B. Piser.

From St. Ignatius: Eugene C. Bianchi. Andrew E. C. Dachauer, Carroll J. Keating, James S. Torrens.

From Santa Barbara: David W Mac Donald.

From St. Philip Neri, Boston, Mass.: Thomas P. Delaney, Francis X. Ryan.

From Marquette: Mario L. Capitolo.

From Creighton: Alfred J. Gehl.

From University of Minnesota: Angus R. McDonald.

Aug. 16. Fr. Kern showed the Juniors moving pictures of his mission work in Calexico.

Aug. 17. Theologian-Junior baseball game was played; Theologians conquered, 13-6.

Aug. 19. Abituri Picnic at Leonard's Beach.

The faculty for the summer school was made up of Fr. Rector, Fr. Playoust, Messrs. Dodd, Crane, Hurst, and Harkin, and Brother Meyer.

Improvements still in progress at the Novitiate are the extension of the kitchen to the cloister portico and a new addition to the winery. The cement roof of the laundry has been laid.

Sept. 7. More scholastic novices entered.

From Seattle University, Paul Tosaya.

From Serra High, Marc Calegari.

From Georgetown, Bernard Wagner.

First Vows.

Sept. 8. Brs. Richard D'Arcy and William Deeney.

Sept. 10. Br. Raymond W. Bounds.

Sept. 9. Schola brevis. Frs. Kavanagh and Playoust have been added to the faculty.

Sept. 12. Mr. Timothy McDonnell from Alma played for the Juniors a wire recording of Fr. James Broderick's speech at Los Angeles, which was an answer to "Life's" article on the Protestant Revolt. Fr. William McIntosh, S.J., kindly loaned the recording for the occasion.

Fr. St. Sure attended the summer school of the Gregorian Institute of America (affiliated with the U. of Montreal), and received the degree of Bachelor of Church Music.

The foundations for the new kitchen have been laid.

Sept. 14. Coadjutor Postulatnt Lee Williams of Exeter, Cal., entered.

CHINA

May 23-27. Fr. Klement made a tour of the stations at Kaoyu, Lintseh, Hwaian and Hwaiyin, covering some 250 miles in five days by bicycle.

May 31. Fr. Rouleau gave his monthly exhortation for the Fathers of Yangchow, Siennumaio and Kaoyu.

Fr. Oliger has organized a typing class, using an economical system in which the students practice on wooden typewriters.

June 4. The outdoor procession for Corpus Christi, postponed on account of rain, was held on the Feast of the S. H., patron saint of our church. The triple benedictions were held in the convent garden, the Fathers' garden and the church.

June 20. 49 received the Sacrament of Confirmation solemnly conferred by V. Rev. Fr. O'Brien, delegated by the ailing Ordinary, Bishop Houisee of Shanghai.

Hwaiyin: Fr. Sen, S.J., recently ill, is replaced for the summer by Fr. Ho, S.J., newly ordained.

Hwaian: Fr. Hofbauer, S.J., is transferred from Siennumiao to replace Fr. Hamon, S.J., sent to Shanghai for hospitalization.

FATHER WILLIAM S. O'LEARY

(Account as Given by the Very Rev. Paul O'Brien)

"The good Lord decided to take Father O'Leary away from us. Father had put in a very good year spiritually, full of prayer and abnegation. He was heart and soul in his work and very much esteemed by the people for his devotedness. We are still not sure what he died from though one doctor

told us definitely after hearing the symptoms it was polio. The Navy doctor diagnosed a heart attack after a sun stroke. Father was still conscious, though he could not speak, when Father Ryan gave him absolution and anointed him. He died a few minutes after the anointing. . . . "

ST. ROBERT'S HALL

A long cherished dream has at last come true. Two months ago a threat to El Retiro's very existence was removed and security for the future attained by the purchase of twenty-two acres and the beautiful Prosser residence located to the south of the Retreat House. For twenty-three years Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Prosser have been ideal neighbors, cooperative at all times and generous beyond belief in the trying days, always expected with any new foundation, and later on in the dark period of the depression. Mr. and Mrs. Prosser led a secluded life, did little entertaining and thus never disturbed in any way the quiet so essential for the proper conduct of a retreat house. Time, though, marches on, and with the years Robert and his beloved spouse found that the maintaining of their beautiful estate became increasingly difficult. They decided to sell and move to San Francisco.

This decision presented a definite menace. The Prosser property line was only a short stone's throw from our dormitory wing. Were socially minded people to purchase the property one can imagine the consequences. Fortunately, Mr. and Mrs. Prosser were aware of this and gave Father Rice first option on any sale. Also, since our only purpose was to protect El Retiro's privacy they generously consented to subdivide their property and sell us their home and twenty-two surrounding acres. Thus, we now possess the entire hillside to the west and south of our original holdings, all the sacrifices of the past have not been in vain and all anxiety regarding possible future expansion removed.

In thanksgiving for this transcendent blessing and as a slight manifestation of our appreciation of this favor and of the many others conferred upon El Retiro during all the years of our acquaintance with the Robt. Prosser family, the Fathers of the Retreat House, acting upon the suggestion of Father Rice, have named the new addition St. Robert's Hall. This St. Robert was the great Bellarmine, Doctor of the Church, whose catechism and writing have continued down the centuries to be standard works in all seminaries and houses of theological studies. Our fondest hope is that as this great saint has been revered for centuries, so, too, will the names of Robt. and Mrs. Prosser be held in benediction by all succeeding generations of retreatants.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Fathers Connolly and Hynes attended the Conference of Deans of our Jesuit colleges held at Regis College, Denver.

After the Summer School a group of 60 nuns from eight different congregations made their annual eight day retreat on the campus. Huesman Hall with its chapel was turned over to them, and all seemed very happy at the arrangement. Father Rector gave the retreat.

The new gymnasium is nearing completion, and should be finished by the end of September. Most say it will be the largest gymnasium in Los Angeles. The floor is 95 by 132 feet; the bleachers will be of the fold-away type, which, when not in use fold against the wall, thus permitting the large expanse for use by the students. The gymnasium will also house the offices of the Department of Athletics, and will have a large room for boxing, punching-bags and weight-lifting apparatus.

An Air-ROTC unit will be activated this Fall on the Loyola campus. It is planned to make the first two years compulsory, as is done at our other two California colleges.

The Rams professional football team again lived on the campus during their month of conditioning for their season. Sullivan Hall was their abode.

Registration: 1532 students (excluding the Law School).

Starting this term Loyola has put in an A.A.F. R.O.T.C. unit.

The new gym is practically finished.

The Engineering School has opened with Mechanical and Electrical Engineering.

SANTA CLARA

July 20. Father Kiefer of Chicago Province a visitor for a few days.

July 28. Father Charles Gunther arrives as new Minister of the University.

July 30. Father Francis Harrington, Minister at the University for the past two years, left for Loyola High School in Los Angeles to become its new Rector.

July 31. Father Coyle of the Irish Province a visitor for a few days.

Aug. 1. Father Charles Cassasa and Father James King left for an educational convention in Denver, arriving home on the 15th.

Aug. 4. Neo-sacerdotal examinations in Adobe Lodge.

Aug. 6. University swimmping pool open to the youth of the town of Santa Clara.

Aug. 6. Father Rock operated on for double hernia at St. Joseph's Hospital in San Francisco. Operation sucessful.

Aug. 9. Superior General of the Carmelites sojourns overnight at the University.

Aug. 13. Seven postulants from Loyola in Los Angeles remain overnight.

Aug. 14. Fifteen postulants are guests for lunch in the Fathers Refectory. They leave in the afternoon for Los Gatos. Seven of these are Bronchos!

Aug. 15. Feast of the Assumption. Annual retreat under the direction of Father Zacheus Maher, ended today. Sixty-two scholastics, twenty priests and seven lay-brothsrs attended the exercises.

Father Louis Bannan took his Last Vows during the 7 o'clock Mass. Twenty-eight of his relatives were present.

Aug. 16. Sodality Conference held in Adobe Lodge, under the direction of Father Charles Leahy. Present were 62 Regents, 22 Theologians, 10 priests and Rev. Father Provincial.

Aug. 17. Regents leave for a two weeks sojourn at Phelan Park, Santa Cruz.

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Fr. Giambastiani went to L. A. to give a retreat to the Sisters of St. Mary's. He remained in the south for summer supply.

Mr. Shaules assisted his brother Fr. Shaules at his first Solemn High Mass in San Diego.

Fr. Daniel Clifford returned from China on June 18.

On June 20 Bishop Cuenco from the Philippines celebrated the 8:30 Mass. He also preached at the 12:15 Mass.

Fr. Simpson was assigned to the community on June 24. He will be Spiritual Father of the Scholastics, and confessor in the church.

The regular summer session was held at the University this year from June 28 to Aug. 6. It was the largest enrollment ever with some 1100 students.

Fr. James Monaghan was appointed Superior of the High School Summer School.

This summer Fr. McKee was Chaplain of the Christian Brothers' Boys' Camp at the Russian River.

Fr. Austin spent a month in Ogden on supply.

Frs. Simpson, Corcoran and C. Walsh formed the Neo-Sacerdotal Examination Board.

Fr. Lyons was Chaplain at Mercy Hospital in Sacramento for two weeks.

On July 17 Bishop Hunt of Salt Lake preached at all the Masses.

On July 25 the Solemn Departure Ceremonies were held for the China Missionaries. Frs. Magner, Pope, Donohue, Brennan and Palm; Messrs. Latham and Rutledge and Bro. Meyer were present during the ceremonies. Bishop Donohue, brother of Fr. J. Donohue, was present in the Sanctuary. Fr. Z. Maher preached the sermon at the 10:30 Mass. Fr. J. O'Farrell preached at all the other Masses. The missionaries sailed on July 30.

Bishop O'Dowd was a guest at the dinner in honor of St. Ignatius.

Fr. James Brodrick, eminent historian from England, gave a lecture in the College Auditorium on August 5 entitled, "The Protestant Revolution as Portrayed in Life Magazine." Loud speakers had to be set up in the lounge in order to enable the tremendous crowd to hear the lecture.

On August 8 Fr. Wm. Dunne was stricken with a heart spasm while saying Mass at Holy Names Central High School in Oakland, where he was giving a retreat to the Holy Name Sisters. Fr. Rector gave Communion to Father, who was unable to finish Mass. Fr. Dunne is much improved now and is back at work.

Fr. Patrick Foote died Thursday morning, September 16, at the Novitiate at the age of 86. The office of the dead was recited September 17 and Father was buried September 18 after a Solemn Requiem Mass in the Church. The officers of the Mass were: Rev. Fr. Rector, celebrant; Fr. Wm. Dunne, deacon: Fr. Mootz, sub-deacon. Four Monsignori were present: Mons. Byrne, Mons. Lyne, Mons. Millett, Mons. Quinn. Twenty of the secular clergy were also present in the Sanctuary.

The Labor-Management School will resume classes for ten weeks of the Fall Semester from Oct. 5 to Dec. 9.

This fall the University instituted a

curriculum leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in the nursing profession.

The Evening Division opened classes on Sept. 20. There will be twice the number of courses offered and a complete degree program will be presented this fall. The enrollment figures for the Division of Arts and Sciences are not exact as yet but there are approximately 1800 students as compared to 1734 last year.

Twenty new instructors have been added to the University staff. Among these are Fathers Falvey, McGloin and Ford, as well as Messrs. Ferguson and Shanks.

The Freshman High School retreat was given this year by Fr. Clifford.

St. Ignatius Registration: Freshmen 291 Sophomores 248; Juniors 242; Seniors 238. This makes a total enrollment of 1019 in the High School.

On September 16 the first Father's Club meeting was held. A Father and Son Communion breakfast is scheduled for October 10.

Fr. Joseph King was assigned to the High School on September 6. He will replace Fr. Howard who has been appointed Province Director of Sodalities.

Fr. Sweeney of New York and Fr. Hastings of Missouri joined the community. They will study at the University of California.

Fr. John McGloin has been appointed Director of the Gentlemen's Sodality.

Fr. Mootz has been appointed to preside over the monthly "Casus."

Fr. Zeman has been appointed House Procurator replacing Fr. Preston who goes to Los Gatos.

VARIA

Mr. George Twigge-Porter, second year regent, has been having great success in promoting the Sacred Heart Program on the radio. He did a fine job in San Francisco and area last year and has now been changed to Los Angeles, where the field is large. On his way to Los Angeles, he added some eight stations around Fresno, Bakersfield, etc.

Santa Clara Valley finally took the lead over the rest of the Province for vocations, this year. Bellarmine led all our schools with ten; there were seventeen from the valley, with Santa Clara contributing seven.

The new Christ the King Church in San Diego will be dedicated by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Bishop Buddy on the Feast of Christ the King, October 31.

Dedication of the new rectory and school of St. Francis Xavier in Phoenix, Arizona, will take place on October 18.

In response to the many requests for the address of Father Robert A. Graham, whose father died only recently, the following was taken from the catalogue of the Institute he is attending. The S.J. is to be omitted and he is to be called either L'Abbe or simply Robert A., etc.

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Etudes Internationales, 132 rue
de Lausanne, Geneva, Switzerland.

LATE NEWS FROM AZUSA!

At a dinner meeting of the Executive Committee on Monday evening, October 4, there was chosen a Building Committee of six outstanding Catholic Laymen to supervise the building program which is scheduled to begin in the Spring. The well-founded hope now is to set up units to accommodate twenty men. Each retreatant will have his private room, private facilities and private entrance. Azusa is on its way!

DEATHS OF OURS

June 10—Father Athanasius Biagini.
June 22—Brother Stephen Vlasich.
June 29—Father Joseph Francis.
Aug. 28—Father William S. O'Leary.
Sept. 16—Father Patrick J. Foote.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

Father of Father Robert A. Graham.
Aunt of Father Sausotte.
Sister of Father Weber.
Aunt of Father Guenther.
Mother of Brother Musante.
Father of Brother C. Phipps.
Father of Brother Lentz.
EXIVERE: Thomas J. Costello, 1st year Philos.; Henry L. Lopez, beginning 1st year teaching; Randolph C. Connolly, 1st year Philos.